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**U.S. District Court**  
**District of Columbia (Washington, DC)**  
**CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:18-cv-01446-EGS**

CITIZENS UNITED v. UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Assigned to: Judge Emmet G. Sullivan  
Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 06/19/2018  
Date Terminated: 04/30/2019  
Jury Demand: None  
Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of Information Act  
Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
06/19/2018	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT against UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE ( Filing fee \$ 400 receipt number 0090-5541609) filed by CITIZENS UNITED. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Civil Cover Sheet, # <u>2</u> Summons to Attorney General, # <u>3</u> Summons to Dept of Justice, # <u>4</u> Summons to US Attorney, # <u>5</u> Exhibit A, # <u>6</u> Exhibit B)(Morgan, Jeremiah) (Entered: 06/19/2018)
06/19/2018	<u>2</u>	LCvR 7.1 CERTIFICATE OF DISCLOSURE of Corporate Affiliations and Financial Interests by CITIZENS UNITED (Morgan, Jeremiah) (Entered: 06/19/2018)
06/19/2018		Case Assigned to Judge Emmet G. Sullivan. (zmd) (Entered: 06/21/2018)
06/21/2018	<u>3</u>	SUMMONS (3) Issued Electronically as to UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Notice and Consent) (zmd) (Entered: 06/21/2018)
07/16/2018	<u>4</u>	ENTERED IN ERROR.....NOTICE of Appearance by Elizabeth J. Shapiro on behalf of UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (Shapiro, Elizabeth) Modified on 7/16/2018 (zrdj). (Entered: 07/16/2018)
07/16/2018		NOTICE OF CORRECTED DOCKET ENTRY: re <u>4</u> Notice of Appearance was entered in error (WRONG CASE) and counsel will not refile said pleading. (zrdj) (Entered: 07/16/2018)

07/17/2018	<u>5</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Danielle Wolfson Young on behalf of UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (Young, Danielle) (Entered: 07/17/2018)
07/27/2018	<u>6</u>	ANSWER to Complaint by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit A)(Young, Danielle) (Entered: 07/27/2018)
08/02/2018		MINUTE ORDER. Plaintiff brings this action pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA"), 5 U.S.C. 552. The parties are directed to meet and confer and propose a joint scheduling order for further proceedings in this case by no later than September 1, 2018. The parties' joint proposed scheduling order shall address the following: (1) The status of plaintiff's FOIA request; (2) The anticipated number of documents responsive to plaintiff's FOIA request; (3) The anticipated date(s) for release of documents responsive to plaintiff's FOIA request; (4) Whether a motion for an Open America stay is likely in this case; (5) Whether a Vaughn index will be required in this case; (6) Whether this case would benefit from referral to a magistrate judge or the District Court Mediation Program for purposes of settlement; and (7) A proposed briefing schedule for dispositive motions, if applicable. If the parties are unable to agree on a joint recommendation, the joint proposed scheduling order shall include each party's individual recommendations. Signed by Judge Emmet G. Sullivan on 8/2/2018. (lcegs3) (Entered: 08/02/2018)
08/02/2018		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Scheduling Order due by 9/1/2018. (mac) (Entered: 08/02/2018)
08/29/2018	<u>7</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Young, Danielle) (Entered: 08/29/2018)
09/04/2018		MINUTE ORDER in view of <u>7</u> joint status report, the parties are directed to file another joint status report by no later than September 14, 2018 recommending steps for further proceedings. Signed by Judge Emmet G. Sullivan on 9/4/2018. (lcegs3) (Entered: 09/04/2018)
09/04/2018		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 9/14/2018. (mac) (Entered: 09/04/2018)
09/14/2018	<u>8</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Young, Danielle) (Entered: 09/14/2018)
09/17/2018		MINUTE ORDER in view of <u>8</u> joint status report, the parties are directed to file another joint status report by no later than January 11, 2019 recommending steps for further proceedings. Signed by Judge Emmet G. Sullivan on 9/17/2018. (lcegs3) (Entered: 09/17/2018)
09/17/2018		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 1/11/2019. (mac) (Entered: 09/17/2018)
09/18/2018	<u>9</u>	NOTICE of Change of Address by Danielle Wolfson Young (Young, Danielle) (Entered: 09/18/2018)
01/07/2019	<u>10</u>	MOTION to Stay <i>ENTIRE CASE IN LIGHT OF LAPSE OF APPROPRIATIONS</i> by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Young, Danielle) (Entered: 01/07/2019)
01/09/2019		MINUTE ORDER granting <u>10</u> unopposed motion to stay in light of lapse of appropriations. Defendant is directed to notify the Court when appropriations are restored or if a continuing resolution is enacted. Signed by Judge Emmet G. Sullivan on 1/9/2019. (lcegs3) (Entered: 01/09/2019)
01/29/2019	<u>11</u>	NOTICE <i>TO THE COURT OF RESTORATION OF APPROPRIATIONS</i> by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (Young, Danielle) (Entered: 01/29/2019)
02/04/2019		MINUTE ORDER. In view of <u>11</u> Notice to the Court of Restoration of Appropriations, the parties are directed to file a joint status report by no later than February 22, 2019 with a recommendation for further proceedings. Signed by Judge Emmet G. Sullivan on 2/4/2019. (lcegs3) (Entered: 02/04/2019)
02/05/2019		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 2/22/2019. (mac) (Entered: 02/05/2019)

02/05/2019		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 2/22/2019. (mac) (Entered: 02/05/2019)
02/05/2019	<u>12</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Young, Danielle) (Entered: 02/05/2019)
02/19/2019		MINUTE ORDER. In view of <u>12</u> Joint Status Report, the parties are directed to file a joint status report with a recommendation for further proceedings by no later than April 9, 2019. Signed by Judge Emmet G. Sullivan on 2/19/2019. (lcegs3) (Entered: 02/19/2019)
02/19/2019		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 4/9/2019. (mac) (Entered: 02/19/2019)
04/09/2019	<u>13</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Young, Danielle) (Entered: 04/09/2019)
04/09/2019		MINUTE ORDER. In view of the parties' <u>13</u> Joint Status Report that states "[t]he parties are working on resolving this matter without further judicial involvement," the parties are directed to file a joint status report to apprise the Court of the status of this case by no later than May 2, 2019. The parties need not file another joint status report if a stipulation of dismissal has been filed before May 2, 2019. Signed by Judge Emmet G. Sullivan on 4/9/2019. (lcegs3) (Entered: 04/09/2019)
04/10/2019		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 5/2/2019. (mac) (Entered: 04/10/2019)
04/30/2019	<u>14</u>	STIPULATION of Dismissal by CITIZENS UNITED. (Morgan, Jeremiah) (Entered: 04/30/2019)
04/30/2019		MINUTE ORDER DISMISSING CASE. Upon consideration of the <u>14</u> Stipulation of Dismissal, this case is DISMISSED without prejudice pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 41(a)(1)(A)(ii). The parties have agreed to bear their own fees and costs. The Clerk of Court is directed to close this case. Signed by Judge Emmet G. Sullivan on 4/30/2019. (lcegs3) (Entered: 04/30/2019)